

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kenneth B. Close et al.

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING RETRACTION OF COMPOSITE MATERIALS

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Examiner: Unknown

Serial No.: 10/032,703

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Group Art Unit: Unknown

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- ☒ A return postcard.
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,244.00 to cover the Basic Filing Fee and Additional Claims Fee.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$400.00 to cover the Extension of Time Fee.
- ☒ Petition for two month Extension of Time (1 pg).
- ☒ Communication Re: Missing Parts (1 pg).
- ☒ A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (10 pgs).
- ☒ Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pgs).

If not provided for in a separate paper filed herewith, please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional required fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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COMMUNICATION RE: MISSING PARTS

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In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts" (see enclosed copy), we submit the signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney along with a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the large entity surcharge and a check in the amount of \$1,244.00 to cover the large entity basic filing fee and additional claims fee.

Applicants assume the application is now in proper order and in condition for examination. Please direct any inquiries to the undersigned attorney at (612) 373-6968.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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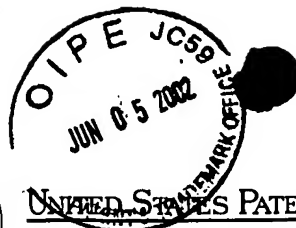
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$504.
  - \$504 for 28 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1374.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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